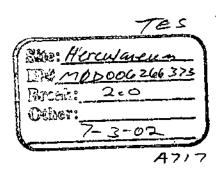


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## DOE RUN REPORTS ON SECOND QUARTER AIR EMISSIONS One Monitoring Station Triggers Non-attainment

ST. LOUIS, July 3, 2002 – The Doe Run Company today announced that the Herculaneum smelter was not in attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the second quarter of 2002. The company identified one of seven air monitors around the Herculaneum smelter as having recorded elevated emissions on five Fridays in April and May which caused the monitors to exceed the air quality standard. The standard is based on a three-month average of all samples collected from each of seven monitors. The elevated levels at the single monitor were sufficient to create non-attainment for the quarter. Six air monitors registered levels within the specified air quality standard throughout the quarter. In June, samples for the seventh station were significantly reduced compared to April and May.

Doe Run was in attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standard during the first quarter of 2002. The smelter must be in attainment during the third quarter of 2002 or contingency measures are triggered. The samples from each monitor must average 1.5 micrograms of lead per cubic meter of air or less over a three-month period. The second quarter results for each monitor were: Ursline 0.04; Golf Course 0.08; High School 0.61; North 0.07; Bluff 0.48; Sherman 0.27; Broad Street 1.86.

"Doe Run is currently completing a \$12 million program to improve Herculaneum smelter emissions," said Barbara Shepard, vice president of human resources and community relations. "During the second quarter, we completed the installation and began operation of the new furnace area baghouse system – state-of-the-art air filters designed specifically to reduce air emissions. The testing and implementation of this baghouse in open-air areas of the plant may have caused temporary air emission variations that may explain the higher levels on one monitor.

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Since that time, we have completed additional building enclosures and have seen reductions in the Broad Street monitor."

The baghouse installations and building enclosures represent significant progress toward completion of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to reduce emissions. Crews are currently working to completely enclose the blast furnace/dross plant building. Doe Run is progressing with improvements ahead of schedule.

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